

CONSERVANCY

for CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

Position Announcement

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Field Instructor Fellow

Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park is a non-profit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. The Conservancy and the National Park Service (NPS) work in partnership to manage the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. Programs at the Education Center are designed to educate and inspire youth and adults in a 500-acre natural setting. Offerings at the center include a four-day, three-night educational experience for fourth through twelfth grades; day programs for preschool, elementary, and secondary school classes offered in the park and at area schools; and weekend retreats for educational and community groups.

Position Description

- Participate in a comprehensive training;
- Work collaboratively with the Education Center team to conduct programming for schools and community groups;
- Lead morning, afternoon and evening instructional units on natural history, human history and environmental appreciation using the field, labs, and activity areas;
- Teach day programs and participate in supporting special programming;
- Contribute to other aspects of operations at a residential environmental education center, as assigned.

This is an intense, but highly rewarding experience; expect to work up to 40 hours per week, with some weeks of overtime, and weekend work will be required. The fellowship term begins as soon as the position is filled and concludes November 23, 2019. Fellows are not responsible for students after the conclusion of evening programs, and supervisory responsibility is always shared with teachers from participating schools.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Combination of experience and education represented by a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Science, Education or related field preferred.
- Previous experience working with children required. Experience working with children in a leadership or supervisory role preferred.
- Must have reliable transportation.
- Must be willing to work a diverse schedule that will include evenings and weekends.
- Current certification in First Aid and CPR or willing to obtain certification required.
- Employee must have a valid driver's license and meet our driving record policy due to use of a government or Conservancy owned vehicle.
- Employees who will be working at the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center must be fingerprinted for a background check in the state of Ohio and an FBI criminal record check due to the presence of children. These employees must also sign an Annual Voluntary Disclosure Statement and will be checked against the National Sex Offender Database website on an annual basis.

Pay and Benefits:

- Hourly pay rate of \$8.55/hour. Work load will average 40 hours/week, and overtime will be paid at a rate of time and a half;
- Housing in National Park Service owned apartment-style units in Everett;
- Meals during the days when schools are in residence at the Education Center;
- Skill training in the field of environmental education;
- Opportunities to participate in Conservancy events and contribute creatively to future educational programming at CVEEC.
- Optional medical insurance is offered.

To Apply

Email your cover letter and resume to apply@forcvnp.org with the subject heading "Field Instructor Fellow". Best qualified applicants will be asked to complete a formal application. Position is open until filled.

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